

**DECLARATION**

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled **METHOD FOR CLADDING THE BLADE TIPS OF ROTOR BLADES OF A GAS TURBINE POWER PLANT AND DEVICE FOR CARRYING OUT THE METHOD**, the specification of which was filed as PCT International Patent Application No. PCT/DE2004/001158 on June 4, 2004.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56(a).

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, § 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

PRIOR FOREIGN APPLICATION(S)			
Number	Country filed	Day/month/year	Priority Claimed Under 35 U.S.C. § 119
103 26 541.4	Fed. Rep. of Germany	12/June/2003	Yes

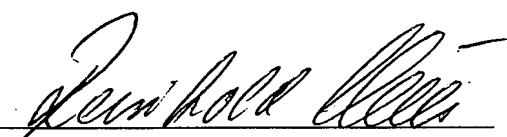
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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful and false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Inventor(s) : Reinhold MEIER et al.  
 Serial No. : 10/560,564  
 For : METHOD FOR CLADDING THE BLADE TIPS OF ROTOR  
 BLADES OF A GAS TURBINE POWER PLANT AND  
 DEVICE FOR CARRYING OUT THE METHOD  
 Int'l. Filing Date : June 4, 2004  
 Examiner : To Be Assigned  
 Art Unit : To Be Assigned

**STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b)**

S I R:

**MTU AERO ENGINES GMBH**, having a place of business at **Dachauer Strasse 665, 80995 Muenchen, Federal Republic of Germany**, states that it is the assignee of the entire right, title and interest in the patent application identified above by virtue of an assignment from the inventor(s) of the patent application identified copy. A copy of the assignment is attached hereto.

The undersigned is authorized to sign this Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b) on behalf of the assignee, **MTU AERO ENGINES GMBH**.

Respectfully submitted,

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as its attorney(s) to represent it before the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with any and all patent applications assigned to it according to the assignment records of the United States Patent and Trademark Office or assignment documents attached to this paper in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b).

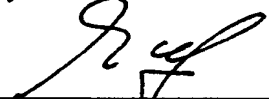

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The undersigned, whose title is supplied below, is authorized to act on behalf of **MTU AERO ENGINES GMBH**.

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**ASSIGNMENT**

WHEREAS, we,

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and

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have made certain inventions and discoveries in a **METHOD FOR CLADDING THE BLADE TIPS OF ROTOR BLADES OF A GAS TURBINE POWER PLANT AND DEVICE FOR CARRYING OUT THE METHOD**, for which an application for Letters Patent was filed as PCT International Patent Application No. PCT/DE2004/001158 on June 4, 2004; and

WHEREAS **MTU AERO ENGINES GMBH**, having a place of business at **Dachauer Strasse 665, 80995 Muenchen, Federal Republic of Germany**, and who, together with its successors and assigns, is hereinafter called "Assignee," is desirous of acquiring the title, rights, benefits, and privileges hereinafter recited,

NOW, THEREFORE, for valuable consideration furnished by Assignee to us, receipt and sufficiency of which we hereby acknowledge, we hereby, without reservations:

1. Assign, transfer, and convey to Assignee the entire right, title, and interest in and to said inventions and discoveries, said application for Letters Patent of the United States of America, any and all other applications for Letters Patent on said inventions and discoveries, including all divisional, renewal, substitute, and continuation applications based in whole or in part upon said inventions or discoveries, or upon said applications, and any and all Letters Patent, reissues, and extensions of Letters Patent granted for said inventions and discoveries or upon said applications, and every priority right that is or may be predicated upon or arise from said inventions, said discoveries, said applications, and said Letters Patent.

2. Authorize Assignee to file patent applications in any or all countries for any or all of said inventions and discoveries in our names or in the name of Assignee or otherwise as Assignee may deem advisable, under an International Convention or otherwise.

3. Authorize and request the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks of the United States of America and the empowered officials of all other governments to issue or transfer all said Letters Patent to Assignee, as assignee of the entire right, title, and interest therein or otherwise as Assignee may direct.

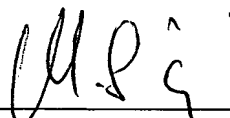
4. Warrant that we have not conveyed to others any right, title, or interest in said inventions, discoveries, applications, or patents or any license to use the same or to make, use, or sell anything embodying or utilizing any of said inventions or discoveries; that we have good right to assign the same to Assignee without encumbrance; and that we are aware of no claim to the contrary.

5. Bind our heirs, legal representatives, and assigns, as well as ourselves, to do, upon Assignee's request and at Assignee's expense, but without additional consideration to us or them, all acts reasonably serving to assure that said inventions and discoveries, said patent applications, and said Letters Patent shall be held and enjoyed by Assignee as fully and entirely as the same could have been held and enjoyed by us, our heirs, legal representatives, and assigns if this assignment had not been made; and particularly to execute and deliver to Assignee all lawful application documents including petitions, specifications, and oaths, and all assignments, disclaimers, and lawful affidavits in form and substance as may be requested by Assignee; to communicate to Assignee all facts known to us relating to said inventions and discoveries or the history thereof; to furnish Assignee with any and all documents, photographs, models, samples, and other physical exhibits in our control or in the control of our heirs, legal representatives, or assigns which may be useful for establishing the facts of our conception, disclosure, and reduction to practice of said inventions and discoveries; and to testify to the same in any interference, arbitration, or litigation.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 22<sup>th</sup> day  
of February, 2006.

  
Reinhold MEIER

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 13 day  
of February, 2006.

  
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Mario SCHMIDT